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REMARKS

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of the instant claims is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

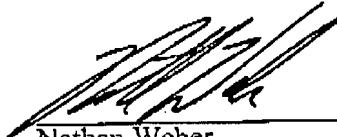
Claims 2-6 are in this application with claims 1, 7, and 8 cancelled herein. No new matter has been added. The examiner is thanked for indicating that claims 2-6 are allowed.

In the Office Action claims 1, 7 and 8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102e) as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,975,624 to Oda et al. In an effort to further prosecution, claims 1, 7, and 8 are cancelled herein. The applicant reserves the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to these claims.

In view of the remarks set forth above, this application is in condition for allowance which action is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney at the number listed below prior to issuing a further Action in order to further prosecution.

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